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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: E. KATSURAGI et al.
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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR WRITING DATA AND
VALIDATING DATA IN A RECORDING MEDIUM
Group: 2189
Examiner: B. Peikari

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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June 5, 2006

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 10, 2006, and preliminary to the examination of the RCE being filed concurrently with this amendment, please consider the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2.

Remarks are included following the amendments.